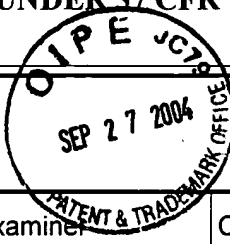


IFW 2877

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
PB0092



In Re Application Of: Thomas M. Armstrong, et al.

Application No. 09/746,361	Filing Date December 22, 2000	Examiner Amanda H. Merlino	Customer No. 22840	Group Art Unit 2877	Confirmation No. 2193
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Invention: A Sample Chamber for Use in Analytical Instrumentation

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of May 5, 2004 above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: August 5, 2004    until: October 5, 2004  
*Date*    *Date*

The fee for the extension of time is \$420 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502-590  
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 502-590  
☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

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